

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

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Finance director to leave county post

LĪHU'E – County officials announced today that finance director Michael Tresler has expressed an interest in returning to the private sector. He is considering several opportunities and will be leaving his post at the end of the month.

Mayor Bryan Baptiste appointed Tresler in December 2002 when he was elected to his first term in office.

"It's been an honor and a privilege to serve the community as a member of Mayor

Baptiste's team," said Tresler. "I've enjoyed working with so many talented people in the county

and intend to continue to support the administration and County Council."

The mayor expressed mixed feelings about Tresler's departure.

"Mike has successfully led the finance department through major changes," said the mayor. "A lot was accomplished during his tenure including the launching of several online services -- bill payments for real property taxes and sewer bills, status check of building permits, and GIS applications that enable users to find property information and obtain satellite imagery of any area on the island. All of these services have helped to make government more accessible to the people of Kaua'i.

"We appreciate Mike's contributions over the last four years in our efforts to enhance the quality of life for Kaua'i residents and will miss his presence. At the same time, we wish him well in his future endeavors," said the mayor.

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